
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Gautier et al.

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Allowance Control

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 27, 2007, Applicant hereby provisionally elects, Group I, Claims 1, 2-10, 11-25, 38, 42-47, 56 and 62, to prosecute in the above-identified patent application.

Group II and part of Group III are species of the subject matter of claim 1. As such, it is respectfully submitted that the Restriction Requirement for Groups II and III as being subcombinations is improper. Therefore, Applicants submit that claim 1 is generic as to claim 2-49 and thus examination should proceed for claims 1-49, 56 and 62.

It is believed that no fees are due in connection with the filing of this response.

Respectfully submitted,

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